

REMARKS

The objection to claim 2 has been overcome by cancelling claim 2, without prejudice. Withdrawal is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-9 stand rejected under § 102 on the basis of Metzger et al. '259. The claims have been amended along the lines of amendments made in a corresponding European application. Applicant traverses this rejection because the structure according to amended claim 3 is not disclosed in the cited reference.

Amended claim 3 recites, among other things, a patch bonded to an installation position with a pedestal. Through holes are provided in the patch at defined locations and holes are also formed in the supporting parts of the pedestal for allowing binding bands to be inserted into the holes and wound around the case.


With the present invention, when a case receiving an electronic component therein is installed at a predetermined position by using a pedestal, a patch and binding bands as according to the present invention, an installation structure for an electronic component for a tire having a heat-insulating structure can be easily formed. This enables a case receiving an electronic component therein to be rigidly fixed, and attachment or detachment of the case is facilitated.

Metzger et al. do not disclose (or suggest) these features of the present invention. For example, Metzger et al. do not disclose a patch having the recited through holes, or holes formed in the supporting parts of the pedestal. Metzger et al. also do not disclose the binding bands recited in the claims. Accordingly, withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

For the foregoing reasons, applicant believes that this case is in condition for allowance, which is respectfully requested. The examiner should call applicant's attorney if an interview would expedite prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

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